

BRIDGE ACROSS THE ST. LOUIS RIVER, NEAR FOND
DU LAC, MINN.

JUNE 3, 1898.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

Mr. HEPBURN, from the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, submitted the following

REPORT.

[To accompany H. R. 10477.]

The Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 10477) to amend an act authorizing the county of St. Louis, in the State of Minnesota, to build or authorize the building of a foot and wagon bridge across the St. Louis River between Wisconsin and Minnesota, at a point near Fond du Lac, Minn., submit the following report:

By the act of June 11, 1896, actual construction of the bridge was to be commenced within one year and completed within three years. Because of other obligations, the said county of St. Louis has been unable to provide funds for the construction of said bridge within the time limited therefor, and the time limited for the commencement of the construction has already expired. The sole object of this bill is to amend that act so as to extend the time within which the construction of the bridge may be commenced to one year from June 11, 1898.

The original act makes ample provision for the protection of the interests of navigation on said river, and the same reasons for its passage exist now as existed at the time of its passage.

Your committee therefore unanimously recommend the passage of this bill.